

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

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ALL COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE NO. I-07-92

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: Military Outreach

Public Law 102-25 was signed recently by the President. This law required the Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) to consult with various agencies to determine the best ways to reach out to families of members of the Armed Forces still on active duty as a result of Operation Desert Storm and its aftermath. It is felt that these families must be made aware of the Food Stamp Program as soon as possible. The Family Services Center on each of the 39 military bases within California has been contacted and has been provided each with copies of a pamphlet entitled "Facts About the Food Stamp Program." A copy of the contact letter and the pamphlet are attached for your information.

It is not certain what impact this outreach project will have on County Welfare Departments, although it is possible there may be an increase in Food Stamp applications. At some time in the future, FNS must report to Congress on the effectiveness of this project. While we currently are not aware of specific reporting requirements, we are requesting you keep track of the number of applications received which are directly related to this outreach effort.

If you have any questions, or if you would like to receive additional copies of the pamphlet, please contact the Food Stamp Program Bureau at (916) 654-1322.


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Deputy Director

Enclosures

This letter will be provided to the Family Service Center on each of the 39 military bases within California.

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The California Department of Social Services is committed to this effort. We are enclosing ten copies of a pamphlet entitled "Facts About the Food Stamp Program". Please provide this information to any military families requesting assistance or who could benefit from the Program. We have also advised all 58 counties within California of our efforts and that they may experience an increase in Food Stamp applications.

If you have any questions, or if you would like to receive additional copies of the pamphlet, please contact the Food Stamp Program Bureau at (916) 654-1322.

Sincerely,

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Food Stamp Program Bureau

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